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1. A node exposing method, comprising:
 obtaining from a display map, a reference to a node which is displayable
 in said display map, said node representing a component in a complex
 heterogeneous system; and
 providing an updated value for said component to said display map, said
 display map updating a display of said node, said updated display of said node
 reflecting said updated value.

2. The method according to claim 1, wherein said updated value is used for
 computing an indicator for representing said node on said display.

3. The method according to claim 2, further comprising displaying said computed
 indication for said node on said display map.

4. A node exposing method, comprising:
 providing by request to requesting agents, references to displayable
 nodes, each displayable node representing a component in a content delivery
 network (CDN); and
 updating a display map of said displayable nodes with updated node
 values received from said requesting agents.

- 1 5. The method according to claim 4, wherein an agent that requests a node
2 reference in said providing step, also is a reporting agent that reports said
3 updated node values in said updating step.

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6. A node exposing system, comprising:

2 a display map for displaying a plurality of nodes and representations of
3 reported values for said plurality of nodes; and

4 a plurality of agents which can acquire references to individual ones of
5 said nodes, said agents obtaining updated values for particular nodes, said
6 agents reporting said updated values to said display map.

7. A machine readable storage having stored thereon, a computer program having
2 a plurality of code sections for exposing a node, said code sections executable
3 by a machine for causing the machine to perform the steps of:

4 obtaining from a display map, a reference to a node which is displayable
5 in said display map, said node representing a component in a complex
6 heterogeneous system; and

7 providing an updated value for said component to said display map, said
8 display map updating a display of said node, said updated display of said node
9 reflecting said updated value.

1 8. The machine readable storage according to claim 7, wherein said updated value
2 is used for computing an indicator for representing said node on said display.

1 9. The machine readable storage according to claim 8, further comprising
2 displaying said computed indication for said node on said display map.

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1 10. A machine readable storage having stored thereon, a computer program having
2 a plurality of code sections for exposing a node, said code sections executable
3 by a machine for causing the machine to perform the steps of:

4 providing by request to requesting agents, references to displayable
5 nodes, said displayable nodes representing a component in a content delivery
6 network; and

7 updating a display map of said nodes with updated node values received
8 from said requesting agents.

1 11. The machine readable storage according to claim 10, wherein an agent that
2 requested a node reference also is a reporting agents who reports updated
3 values in said updating step.